

Addendum No. 3

A) Purpose and Description of Services

Laboratories are invited to submit bids to provide laboratory analyses and related services for physical, chemical, biological, and bacteriological analysis of water, wastewater, sediments and soil samples to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (Regional Board).

The successful bidder will provide services for twelve (12) months upon approval of the Agreement. This Agreement may be amended up to three (3) years, however, all laboratory analytical costs shall remain unchanged. The amount of this Agreement is not expected to exceed \$99,999.99. **For your bid to be considered, the overall total bid amount cannot exceed \$99,999.99.**

The types of samples that will be submitted for analysis may include, but not be limited to, soil, sediments, sludges, wastewater, and oil. The number of samples to be submitted to the laboratory at one time may vary. Prior notice of anticipated analytical needs will usually be, but not always, provided. The contracted laboratory will be required to provide containers, preservative reagents, labels and chain-of-custody forms, and will be responsible for disposal of samples when the analyses are completed, at no extra cost.

The successful bidder will provide analytical and related services at the rates indicated by the bidder in Attachment 3, Bid Response Form, Laboratory Schedule of Costs Tables.

The contracted laboratory will be required to provide containers, preservative reagents, labels, chain-of-custody forms, and will be responsible for disposal of samples when the analyses are completed, at no extra cost. The Regional Board staff may request consultation on issues related to the laboratory such as assistance in selecting appropriate analyses, interpreting analytical results, chemical properties, proper handling techniques, etc. The contracted laboratory will be required to provide these consultation services at no cost to the Regional Board.

A sample of the entire Agreement for Laboratory Analyses Services is included in Exhibits A, B, C. and D. Bidders are responsible for reviewing the terms and provisions of the Agreement. If there appears to be inconsistencies between the Exhibits and this IFB, the requirements listed in this IFB will supersede what appears in the attached Exhibits.

The contracted laboratory may subcontract to other laboratories, within California, up to a **maximum of 35 percent**, excluding the toxicity analyses **and radiological analyses**. **The toxicity analyses and the radiological analyses may also be subcontracted out, but are not subject to the 35 percent limitation.** The analytical methods to be subcontracted must be identified by the bidder in Attachment 4, Summary of Proposed Laboratory Subcontractors; the subcontracted method and cost, including all surcharges, must also be listed. Such subcontracting laboratories must meet all requirements applying to the primary contractor.

B) Bidder Minimum Qualifications

- a. Bidders and any subcontractor identified by the bidder **must** be certified by the Department of Health Services (DHS) to perform hazardous waste, drinking water, and wastewater analyses identified in the Laboratory Schedule of Costs Tables, where applicable. A copy of these bidder/subcontractor certification(s) must be submitted with the Bid Response package. Analyses and determinations **must** be performed by qualified personnel in conformance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), or DHS approved test procedures described in the current Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 40, Part 136, "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste", SW-846; or CFR, Title 11, Division 4.5, Chapter 11, as appropriate. The test procedures may be modified subject to the application and approval of alternate test procedures under CFR, Title 40, Part 136.4.
- b. Selected bidder must either (1) be licensed to receive radioactive solid waste and (a) perform the analyses, or (b) subcontract the analyses to a qualified laboratory; or (2) allow for direct shipment